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City of Barrie

Final

Infrastructure and Community Investment Committee

Wednesday, April 30, 2025 | **5:00 PM** | **Council Chambers**

INFRASTRUCTURE AND COMMUNITY INVESTMENT COMMITTEE REPORT.
For Consideration by General Committee on May 7, 2025.

The meeting was called to order by Chair, Councillor B. Hamilton at 5:02 p.m. The following were in attendance for the meeting:

Present: 5 - Chair – Councillor B. Hamilton
Mayor, A. Nuttall
Deputy Mayor, R. Thomson
Councillor, N. Nigussie
Councillor, C. Riepma

ALSO PRESENT:
Councillor, C. Nixon
Councillor, AM. Kungl
Councillor, A. Courser
Councillor, G. Harvey
Councillor, J. Harris

STAFF:
Chief Administrative Officer, M. Prowse
City Clerk/Director of Legislative and Court Services, W. Cooke
Deputy City Clerk, T. Macdonald
Director of Legal Services, I. Peters
Director of Infrastructure, S. Diemart
Executive Director of Development Services, M. Banfield
General Manager of Access Barrie, R. James-Reid
General Manager of Community and Corporate Services, J. Schmidt
General Manager of Infrastructure and Growth Management, B. Araniyasundaran
Interim Chief Financial Officer, C. Smith
Legislative Coordinator, T. Maynard
Senior Policy Advisor and Special Projects Coordinator, E. Chappell
Service Desk Specialist, K. Kovacs
Supervisor of Enforcement Services, J. Forgrave.

The Infrastructure and Community Investment Committee reports that the following matter(s) were dealt with on the consent portion of the agenda:

SECTION "A"

MOTION 25-G-008 REFERRED BY GENERAL COMMITTEE ON JANUARY 8, 2025, CORRESPONDENCE CONCERNING WARMING CENTRES AND HOMELESSNESS.

That the correspondence received from the Royal Victoria Hospital Emergency Room Physicians dated November 19, 2024, regarding an Open Letter to Barrie City Council concerning Warming Centres and Homelessness be received for information purposes.

REPORT OF THE COMMUNITIES IN BLOOM COMMITTEE DATED MARCH 4, 2025.

That the Report of the Communities in Bloom Committee dated March 6, 2025, is received.

REPORT OF THE ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION AND SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE DATED MARCH 6, 2025

The Report of the Active Transportation and Sustainability Advisory Committee dated March 6, 2025, is received.

REPORT OF THE ARTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE DATED MARCH 25, 2025

The Report of the Arts Advisory Committee dated March 25, 2025, is received.

The Infrastructure and Community Investment Committee met and reports as follows

SECTION "B"

CALL FOR OPEN DELEGATIONS REGARDING THE FUNDING REQUEST FOR BAYVIEW PARK RESERVOIR DECOMMISSIONING AND REMOVAL (WARD 2)

Michael Hassey and Rick Webster, 185 Dunlop Street, East, provided an open delegation concerning the Bayview Park Reservoir Decommissioning and Removal (Sam Cancilla Park).

Mr. Hassey indicated that Sam Cancilla Park is underutilized, inaccessible, and fails to serve the growing downtown. He described the location of the park as a prime waterfront location along Kempenfelt Bay, which could provide an opportunity to enhance Barrie's waterfront.

Mr. Hassey felt that the planned decommissioning of the old water reservoir provides an opportunity to rethink Sam Cancilla Park.

Mr. Hassey and Mr. Webster shared a design concept for Sam Cancilla Park. Mr. Webster indicated that their vision for Sam Cancilla Park was to create an inviting, accessible park to serve diverse users, residents, businesses, and tourists to create a vibrant downtown.

Members of Committee asked a number of questions of Mr. Hassey, Mr. Webster and City staff, and received responses.

The Infrastructure and Community Investment Committee met and recommends adoption of the following:

SECTION "C"

MOTION 25-G-026 REFERRED BY GENERAL COMMITTEE ON FEBRUARY 26, 2025, REGARDING A FUNDING REQUEST FOR BAYVIEW PARK RESERVOIR DECOMMISSIONING AND REMOVAL (WARD 2)

1. That a new capital project be approved to decommission the Bayview Park Reservoir and complete the removal of its associated Booster Pumping Station at Sam Cancilla Park with a budget of $2,565,000 to be funded 100% from the Water Capital Reserve, subject to the return of $2,565,000 from other Water Capital Reserve funded projects in the 2025 Capital Status Report.

2. That Capital Project 001251 - Sam Cancilla Master Plan and implementation be approved and moved up to commence in 2025 simultaneously with the Bayview Park Reservoir Project and as part of this project staff review the design concept presented by Mr. M. Hassey at the Infrastructure and Community Investment Committee Meeting of April 30, 2025 and staff engage with the property owner at Dunlop Street and Mulcaster Street.

This matter was recommended (Section "C") to General Committee for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 5/7/2025.

The Infrastructure and Community Investment Committee met and recommends adoption of the following:

SECTION "D"

COMMITTEE NAME CHANGE

That the following be referred to the Finance and Responsible Governance Committee.

“That the name of the Active Transportation and Sustainability Advisory Committee be changed to the Sustainability Advisory Committee”.

This matter was recommended (Section "D") to General Committee for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 5/7/2025.

The Infrastructure and Community Investment Committee met and recommends adoption of the following:

SECTION "E"

ADULT ENTERTAINMENT BY-LAW

That staff in the Legislative and Court Services Department investigate how other municipalities have separated burlesque dancing and other similar forms of adult entertainment from the Adult Entertainment By-law and report back to the Finance and Responsible Governance Committee.

This matter was recommended (Section "E") to General Committee for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 5/7/2025.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:42 p.m.

CHAIRMAN